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Deputy to the Director of Central Intelligence
for Resource Management

Washington, D.C. 20505

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Vice Admiral B. R. Inman, USN
Director, National Security Agency
Fort George G. Meade, Maryland

Dear Admiral Inman:

The DCI has just completed his review of issues raised during the preparation of the proposed FY 1980 budget. After careful consideration of your comments, those of the departments, the Resource Management and Collection Tasking Staffs, and the OMB, he has made the tentative decisions described below.

These decisions will be reflected in a revised budget ranking which will be sent to you tomorrow. The DCI's tentative decisions on issues are being sent now in order to give you the opportunity to start your assessment of the impact each will have on your budget. A written reclama, incorporating your views on the issues and the rankings, will be welcome as soon as possible, but it must be received no later than noon Saturday if it is to have effect. The DCI will be making his final decisions on Sunday, 12 November.

Admiral Turner will weigh carefully your observations and the opinions of the PRC(I) members, especially in light of the cautionary notes from the OMB and NSC Staffs regarding the guidance level. What would be most useful to him is an assessment of the problems which would result should you be forced to accept a TOA level for your program at levels at or below OMB guidance.

As a result of our continuing dialogue on the budget scrub, an additional [redacted] has been restored, including funds for [redacted]

Tentative decisions on the issues are as follows:

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